

Twenty-three Children Win Book Awards

Twenty-three boys and girls received certificates from the Los Angeles county library this week for successfully completing the summer reading course inaugurated at the close of school at Torrance Library and at the WALTERIA branch.

Each child read five books of his own choosing and wrote a detailed report on each book. These reports, said Mrs. Dorothy M. Jamieson, librarian, were excellent both in material and original points of view.

Those receiving certificates were as follows:

Torrance: Kathie Curtiss, Adele Curtiss, Betty Weber, Gloria St. Dennis, Patsy Merritt, Janeane Colombo, Richard Freeman, Jeanne Jessome, Betty Jessome, and Connie Walton.

WALTERIA branch: Mary Jo Vaverka (2), Marlene Spraberry (2), Ora N. Rainwater (2), Cynthia Janssen, Ernie V. Gore, Michael Sampson, Wendell Fleet (2), Patricia Hanover, Sandra Lowe, Marie Wincin, Linda Carmen and Geron Kettering.

Marine Corps Reserve Men Can Get Duty

Marine Corps Reserve officers of company grade with certain qualifications may now apply for active duty, according to Col. C. E. Shepard, Jr., director of the 11th Marine Corps Reserve District.

A selected number of captains and lieutenants will be accepted who are qualified in administration, artillery, engineering, infantry, intelligence, motor transport, ordnance, special services, tank and amphibian tractor, training aids. Aviation assignments will be open only to naval aviators in the Marine Corps Reserve.

Naval Aviators chosen will be ordered to duty between Oct. 15 and Dec. 31. The other Marine reserves chosen will get their orders as rapidly as possible, but before Jan. 1.

Supplies for Schools' Use Are Approved

Purchase of 300 tubular steel chairs for the Torrance school district at a cost of \$2047.50 from the Stationers Corporation, has been approved by the board of education.

The board, on recommendation of the superintendent, also authorized the purchase of steel lockers to cost \$2783, from Worley and Company.

Miscellaneous shop equipment costing \$364 is being purchased, and lumber for the shop is being purchased from three lumber firms at a total cost of \$1156, while miscellaneous shop equipment costing \$71 is being purchased from three hardware firms. Paint for the shop is being purchased from four firms at a cost of \$40.45.

Paint for general purposes is being purchased at a cost of \$523 from five paint companies.

Optimists to Invade County Fair Sept. 24

Optimists from Torrance and from all over Southern California will gather at Los Angeles County Fair in Pomona for a grand reunion on Friday, Sept. 24, the date set aside by officials as Optimist Day. With the Optimist Club of Pomona furnishing a full program of entertainment and activities for visiting members and their wives, friends and ladies, the day promises to be one of the high spots of the 17 day exposition, Sept. 17 to Oct. 3.

Following a luncheon honoring the District Officers headed by Governor Ralph Newcomb, the group will tour the fair, site of 40,000 individual exhibits this year, and attend the races, where the Optimist Handicap will feature the day's card. They will then adjourn to a cocktail party at the Pomona Golf and Country Club, just west of the fairgrounds.

FAIR WEATHER, FOUL PLAY
Fair weather and foul play often go together on the highway and sunshine cannot save a driver from the consequences of speeding and carelessness. Approximately 70 per cent of all traffic accident fatalities occur on dry pavements.

Phone Growth Is Related by Company Head

In an expansion unparalleled in its entire history, the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company has added 1,000,000 telephones since V-J Day, it was announced today by M. R. Sullivan, the company's president, during the course of his welcoming address to the Telephone Pioneers of America at their 1948 general assembly in San Francisco.

While Sullivan was talking, a telephone on the speaker's table rang and he was greeted by the installer of the millionth telephone.

According to A. B. Smith, the present rate of telephone growth is three times as fast as before and during the war, when it took the company nine years to add the preceding million telephones. In the past three years, the number of telephones in service has been brought to a present record total of 3,631,917.

Graphically indicative of the way the west coast population has moved around since the war, the Company has installed more than 3,000,000 telephones and taken out over 2,000,000 in achieving a growth of a million. Smith said that the Company estimates the population gain in the Pacific West, since V-J Day, has been approximately 2,000,000 or 17 per cent, while in the same period the million telephones represents a growth of 35 per cent.

Sartori Gets New Look for Factory Event

Sartori avenue is again a first-class traffic artery, with the resurfacing of the street between Cabrillo avenue and Torrance boulevard last Thursday. The work was done by private contract.

Within the next week the contractor will resurface the "rollercoaster" section of Sartori avenue between Torrance boulevard and Dominguez street.

City crews are also resurfacing Arlington avenue between 182nd and 190th street, in North Torrance. This artery has been in need of improvement for some months, and the work will be completed as soon as possible.

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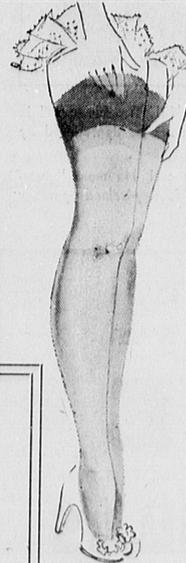
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